## **DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

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REFUGEE COORDINATOR LETTER NO. 05-01

TO: COUNTY REFUGEE COORDINATORS

SUBJECT: AMENDED AND CURRENT MEDI-CAL ELIGIBILITY DATA SYSTEM REPORTS

The monthly Department of Health Services Medi-Cal Eligibility Data System (MEDS) File Reports for the months of July 2004 through January 2005 are now available on the California Department of Social Services, Refugee Programs Bureau (RPB) web site at <a href="https://www.dss.cahwnet.ca.gov/refugeeprogram">www.dss.cahwnet.ca.gov/refugeeprogram</a>. The reports can be viewed and printed at your convenience by opening the following path to these web pages, "Report Center/MEDS Report."

The RPB had recently notified the counties that there were technicial difficulties with the MEDS report system. That problem has been resolved, however, some of the reports required amending. Reports dated June 2004 and prior remain accurate. Below is a list of the reports that have been amended and the new reports that are ready for release:

July 2004 (Amended)
August 2004 (Amended)
September 2004 (New)
October 2004 (New)
November 2004 (New)
December 2004 (New)
January 2005 (New)

These reports are generated and prepared to assist counties to better serve their refugee population. Enclosed is a "Report Content" sheet that provides a short description of the reports' contents.

The Medicaid/RMA-EMA Report provides an unduplicated summary total, by county, of all refugees. The data in all reports is county-specific with a statewide total at the end of each report. Information is by <u>individual</u>, rather than case total.

Counties may use this data to reconcile their own data. Please note that because these reports reflect only cases receiving public assistance or Medi-Cal, county programs that also serve refugees who are not aided may have a higher number of persons in their employment caseload.

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These reports will continue to be generated and made available to counties on a monthly basis via the RPB Web Portal/Site. If you have any questions regarding these reports, please contact Camille Ancona, Policy Unit, at <a href="mailto:Camille.Ancona@dss.ca.gov">Camille.Ancona@dss.ca.gov</a> or (916) 653-7785.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by Thuan Nguyen on 2/18/05

THUAN NGUYEN, Chief Refugee Programs Bureau

Enclosure

## REPORT CONTENT

Report Title	Content
CalWORKs/RCA-ECA Totals	Adults and minor children refugees receiving CalWORKs, Refugee Cash Assistance or Entrant Cash Assistance.
CalWORKs/RCA-ECA Citizen Children	Children of Refugees who are American citizens by virtue of their birth within the U.S., or a U.S. territory, receiving CalWORKs, Refugee Cash Assistance or Entrant Cash Assistance.
Medicaid/RMA-EMA Totals	Adult and minor children refugees receiving Medicaid, Refugee Medical Assistance, or Entrant Medical Assistance, including those on public assistance and SSI. An unduplicated summary total of all refugees.
Medicaid/RMA-EMA Citizen Children	Children of refugees who are American citizens by virtue of their birth within the U.S., or a U.S. territory, receiving <i>Medicaid, Refugee Medical Assistance, or Entrant Medical Assistance</i> .
CalWORKs/RCA-ECA Totals 60 months or Less	Adults and minor children refugees who have been residents within the U.S. for 60 months or less and are receiving CalWORKs, Refugee Cash Assistance or Entrant Cash Assistance.
SSI/SSP Refugees in Program 60 Months or Less	Refugees who have been residents within the U.S. for 60 months or less who are receiving SSI/SSP. An unduplicated count of eligible Refugees in Code 10 (aged), 20 (blind), and 60 (Disabled).
SSI/SSP Refugees in Program 61 to 84 Months	Refugees who have been residents within the U.S. for 61 to 84 months who are receiving SSI/SSP; An unduplicated count of eligible Refugees in Code 10 (aged), 20 (blind), and 60 (Disabled).
SSI/SSP Refugees in Program More Than 84 Months	Refugees who have been residents within the U.S. for more than 84 months who are receiving SSI/SSP. An unduplicated count of eligible refugees in Code 10 (aged), 20 (blind), and 60 (Disabled).
SSI/SSP Refugee Totals	Total count of all refugees who are receiving SSI/SSP. An unduplicated count of eligible refugees in Code 10 (aged), 20 (blind), and 60 (Disabled).